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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Charles W. Hewitt et al.

APPLICATION No.: 09/903,381

FILED: July 11, 2001

FOR: CONTROL SAMPLES FOR USE AS STANDARDS
FOR EVALUATING APOPTOSIS IN A SELECTED
TISSUE

EXAMINER: Davis, Minh Tam

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Amendment in Response to Restriction Requirement

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 23-25.

REMARKS

In the above referenced Office Action, the Examiner divided the claims into the following groups:

Group I, claims 1-22, drawn to a composition and a kit comprising at least one segment of a tissue that has been subjected to a treatment that reproducibly results in a predetermined, measurable amount of apoptosis in the segment;

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01 FC:2251 Group II, claim 23, drawn to a kit and one or more additional reagents;
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Group III, claim 24, drawn to a kit and an extract of the soluble proteins of the tissue segment; and